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Paul Edwards 500 Ariel  
Pre-unit runner up at the 31st Thumpers Trial

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# VETERAN LONGTRACK & SPEEDWAY SEASON 2011

By Kevin Teager

2011 started with the prospect of 6 rounds of the European Veterans Longtrack Series (EVLS) and a few vintage speedway demonstration races with Blast From The Past (BFTP).

We started in February with BFTP providing a static display at the Sitting-

bourne Ladies Day in support of Help for Heroes. This was followed in March, joining others at Scunthorpe, for a JAP



**EVLS 1st Round Marianske  
Lazne, Czech Republic**



**Won 1st round,  
Golden Helmet  
Czech Rep**

demonstration race as part of the Speedway Riders Benevolent Fund meeting. In addition we have ridden the JAP at Coventry and Lakeside in May and July respectively.

Our European rides started with the Spring Practice at Herxheim, Germany – a 1000m longtrack. We then travelled the same weekend to Vries, Holland to take part in the Oldies Grasstrack meeting. The following weekend we rode speedway in Lelystad, Holland a small track we are very fond of as we now have lots of friends who ride a variety of bikes including JAP's, Weslakes and Jawa's.

Our EVLS challenge started in Marianske Lazne, Czech Republic.

**Herxheim Festival  
Longtrack**



We were invited to ride Speedway in Zolder, Belgium and this saw us compete as part of Team Viking. The team achieved a very good 3<sup>rd</sup> – all riders were on laydown's except us, we were on an old upright GM scoring 5 points.

The 2<sup>nd</sup> round of the EVLS saw us at Mulmshorn. This was a difficult meeting as it had been raining very hard for a number of days before we arrived. It was touch and go if the

meeting would go ahead. We did eventually get on the track and again came first with Kenny Blain and Gerald Short also



**Zolder, Belgium.  
International  
Speedway meeting**

We did well in the heats and won the final. This was special not only as it was the first of the EVLS meetings but also as we won the Golden Helmet trophy.

May saw us at Bad Zwishenham in Germany with our good friends Mick and Astrid Cooke to ride at the JAP Revival meeting. We then drove to Herxheim to take part in the Christie Himelfart meeting riding a longtrack laydown bike in the B Licence races. Some very hard racing saw us make the final.



**EVLS Eenrum, Holland**



joining Kev on the podium – 3 English boys.

Mid July we were invited by the Dutch riders to Aduard to do a number of EVLS races in the hope they will invite us to stage one of our rounds there next year. The weather was kind to us and we had a good day's racing

traffic for the weekend, there is a fair, food stalls and all the bars have entertainment. We raced on the Sun-



**EVLS 5th round  
Pfarrkirchen Bavaria  
Germany**



**EVLS final round.  
Roden, Holland**

day, the same day as the Masters of Sidecar. We were successful winning all 3 heats and the A final. Also on the podium from England was Kenny Blain.

We arrived at Pfarrkirchen for the 5th

finally doing trophy presentations at 10pm (whew!) and we achieved a 2<sup>nd</sup> overall.

Unfortunately the 3<sup>rd</sup> round of the EVLS, due to be held in Rastede, was cancelled due to the track being under water.

Round 4 was in Eenrum . They close the little town to



**EVLS Eenrum,  
Holland. Final**



**Lelystad  
Speedway**

round of the EVLS after a drive of 750 miles.

The track lay out before us, over 1000m. We camped around the stables – a very rural environment even though we were at the edge of the town. We found this interesting at 3am when the cockerel, horse and goat woke up. We won our 2

heats on the Saturday. Unfortunately the meeting was abandoned after we won our final on the Sunday as the rain came down with a vengeance.

The final round was held in Roden, Holland. We competed in 2 heats and the final all of which we won. As well as winning this we were invited to ride in the challenge race with all winners from the day – Nationals and Internationals as well as classic. We achieved 2<sup>nd</sup> in this.

The evening saw the presentation of the EVLS trophies for the series positions, with a number of the awards going to the British contingency.

At the beginning of October we supported BFTP's static display of classic speedway bikes and riding gear at the Copdock Motorcycle Show. This included some of Kev's EVLS trophy's and his ex-Ivan Mauger longtrack Jawa.

We rounded off the year by attending the autumn practice at Herxheim, Germany bringing the total miles travelled to over 15,000. The bikes have now been cleaned and the list of tasks compiled for attention during the winter in preparation for the 2012 season.



**Me & Nikki - Didn't we do well**

Many thanks to all our fellow racers and friends who have helped us and shared good times during 2011.

Kev & Nikki

# PEDRO'S PATTERN

Sunday 6th Nov. 'Guy Fawkes' trial Joe Stollery, Graham Steward, Norman Blakemore & Andy Spreadbridge travelled down to enjoy 'shock' testing on Gloucestershire's hills, not seen results. The same day Dave Field, Chris Chapman tackled a 'regional' trial in Surrey, results unknown.

The club's scramblers enjoyed their final meeting at Marks Tey, I understand it was a good meeting on a cool day, ideal for racing! Mike Hardens Nov. practice day was well attended setting bikes up for the Thumpers. This I thought was well received and seemingly went well, I understand almost enough support was rec'd, to those that did a big thank you as an observer I had a great day! The results, two on 1 !! The section plotters couldn't have done better, 'foreigners' got in the results I personally enjoyed seeing them in action along with some good rides by some of the regulars. Brian Fletcher & Chris Chapman were stopped by punctures. As always some great bikes both original & modded invariably better than new certainly finish wise! I'm currently reading 'Ipswich Speedway the First 50 yrs.' very well researched & written by Dave Feakes & Colin Barber. You may not know and I didn't Dave Godley had a trial but didn't pursue a career, after being party to his understeering at the Thumpers; having to depart observer's chair rapidly!! I understand. However Alan Farmer went thro' the junior team for a couple of seasons and into the team for two years, how about an article Alan! With that background it explains a storming winning ride he had at Braintree classic scramble some years ago and the gusto with which he tackles sections. Another whom many of you know Kevin Teager spent several seasons with Witches and other teams, this year he lifted a veteran rider's

championship by winning all the meetings across Europe which seemingly incurred 15,000 miles travelling for him & partner, enthusiasm or what! Speaking of enthusiasm an opportunity for those riders who haven't 'contributed' lately to step forward and help Phil Smith prepare for Boxford Bash. Moving on I have recently become custodian of a collection of trial; scramble photos taken in 50-60's, locally & nationally by the late Monty Seabrook, Halstead clubman of that period. Contact me if you wish to view, or if you know elderly enthusiasts who could enjoy a trip down memory lane. Some will know past editor Jim Woodmason and wife Tracey recently drove to Corsica! Now I know a lot of you don't know where Corsica is so I would encourage the two OAP's to educate us as to how two mobility mounts coped with foreign terrain and them with the natives. How about it J & T. Chelmsford Auto club recently lost a great character, work horse and enthusiast Charlie Crowe a fighter to the end at 87. A full church paid their respects on the 28th. Charlie probably never rode a bike, together the family supported son David who became a national M/X runner in the early 60's supplied with mounts by Chelmsford business man Joe Adey. When David phased out Charlie kept going invaluable to the club. Braintree have also lost a great servant 74 year old Tony Parkin whose funeral took place Friday 2nd., in recent years accompanied by big mate Dick Sillett they travelled the country lap scoring at major & minor M/X and grass meetings. The motor cycle scene at large will miss the gentleman. May I wish you the festive season you're hoping for and a successful 012!

*Pedro E*

# THURSDAYS RIDE OUT (BURN UP)

As some of you know, every Thursday there is a gathering of young elderly motorcyclists, at an airfield restaurant not far from Braintree.

These gentlemen are mainly from Essex with some from Suffolk.

Some of the Suffolk contingent consisting of myself (Neil) my brother Gerry, Jeff (the pee taker) and Don on his Norton, (who Jeff has dubbed straight line Daly as he cuts all the corners, we think he does this because if he leaned the Norton over to far he would fall off) we usually gather at around eleven o'clock at my abode in Long Melford for a cup of coffee and a natter before setting off for lunch at the airfield.

A couple of Thursdays ago Jeff was the first to arrive on his Honda, shortly afterwards Gerry turned up on his Beta, and we settled down with our cups of coffee to await the arrival of Don.

Eventually I heard the rhythmic throb of a big single in the distance, and told the others that I thought Dons arrival was imminent. At that very moment a large double decker bus pulled up immediately outside my house and Jeff (who is a bit mutt and Jeff excuse the pun) said no its a bus we all turned to look just in time to see this bloke on a Norton flash past the window on the pavement almost scattering the passengers alighting from said bus.

We did not see him enter the drive that leads to the rear of my house but we visualized a speedway style slide with pea shingle flying in all directions.

I went into the back yard to see if everything was ok, and at that moment a police car with sirens wailing

tore thro the street at speed, so I admonished Don for attracting the constabulary's attention to our usually law abiding community, by breaking the law namely riding a motorcycle on pedestrian pavement, putting pedestrian lives at risk, and possibly exceeding the speed limit on the road between Sudbury and Long Melford, which he denied vehemently.

However as the police car did not stop he seems to have got away with it.

So with Norton parked (not on my nice new paved area in front of the garage, as the damn thing leaks oil everywhere) I escorted Don inside and made him a cup of coffee.

When we were again gathered with our coffee, Don, with creaking bones, stood up and exclaimed "Now listen lads, I have something very serious to reveal to you!" We wondered what the hell he was going to do as he grabbed the bottom of his jumper and lifted it up to reveal a set of very bright scarlet braces holding up his trousers! Phew what a relief! As we had all thought he was coming out of the closet! (*considering the remarks he made about my backside at the Thumpers I think he's building up to it! Ed.*)

After a pleasant ride to the airfield, and with a good lunch in our belly's, a good chat with the rest of the lads we all then made our way back to our respective homes feeling we had had a good day,

As I sit here writing this, happy with my lot, I consider myself very lucky to have such a fine crowd of geriatric hooligans to call my friends.

Kind regards, Neil





### **31st Thumpers Trial**

Clockwise:  
 17, Bernard Rodemark  
 316 BSA..  
 15, Stan Metcalf  
 300 BSA.  
 63, Alan Wright  
 252 James.

Photo's Mick Brown



# Eastern Fourstroke Association

## Pre 1965 Trials Club

Affiliated to the Eastern Centre Auto Cycle Union

### **PRE 65 AND TWINSHOCK TRIAL**

**DATE:** 8th JANUARY 2012

**Start:** 10:30am

**VENUE:** Sunfield Farm, Little Bealings, Nr Ipswich, Suffolk

**ACU PERMIT No:** TBA

**OFFICIALS:**

**CLUB STEWARD:**

**CLERK OF THE COURSE:** Eddie Hood (Licence No, 9449)

**SECRETARY OF THE MEETING:**

**Keith Fitz-John**  
**124, Moulsham Drive,**  
**Chelmsford, Essex, CM2 9PZ**  
**Tel: 01245 258214**

**JURISDICTION:** Held under the NSC and the Standing Discipline Regulations of the ACU and the EASTERN CENTRE, these Supplementary Regulations and any Final Instructions which will have the force of these Regulations. Open to ACU affiliated members of the Eastern Fourstroke Association riding Pre-65 Solo machines, invited EFA members riding Twinshock machines and EFA Youth members..

**COURSE:** approx 4 laps of 10 sections - multiroute course - all on private land.

**MARKING:** As per TSR 22B - Non-stop basis.

**ENTRIES:** To be made on the OFFICIAL ENTRY FORM and forwarded to the Secretary of the Meeting with a fee of £ **12.00** (adult), £ **8.00** (youth) which includes Insurance Premiums, Licence Subscription and all levies. Please make cheques payable to EFA.

**ENTRIES CLOSE:** One hour before the start.

**CLASSES:** **SOLO**, Rigid, Pre-unit, Unit, 2 Stroke, Twin Shock, Youth.

**ROUTE:** Hard / Easy & 50/50 route.

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For further information contact:

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## **ANGLIA CLASSIC TRIALS CLUB**

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### **BOXFORD BASH**

#### **PRE 70 & TWINSHOCK TRIAL**

**SCOUT HQ, THE SPINNEY, BOXFORD, SUFFOLK CO10  
5HL**

Map reference TL 966408

**Sunday 11th December 2011**

**Start: 10.30am**

**AMCA Permit No.**

**AMCA/CT/3142**

**Clerk of the Course:**

**Phil Smith**

**Secretary of the Meeting:**

**Gary Eaves, 22, Bouchers Mead,  
North Springfield, Chelmsford. CM1 6PJ Tel: 01245 460025**

**Course:** approx 4 laps of 10 sections, all on private land.

**Routes:** Hard / Easy & 50/50 route

**Riders over 65** years of age may opt to enter a separate class and only complete 3 laps of a 4 lap event or 2 laps of a 3 lap event. Easier route only, please show your preference in the route box on the entry form i.e. **easy 3 or easy 2.**

**Marking:** Will be 1,2,3,5 NON STOP.

**Classes:** Rigid, Pre-unit, Unit, 2 stroke, Twin Shock, Youth (15 to 18),

**Entries** will be accepted from members of the **EFA** and other invited riders on the official entry form.

Entry fees, £12 adult £10 youth. A competitor becomes a member of the Anglia Classic Trials Club for the day of the event. If you are a member of the **AMCA**, please quote your membership number.

Entries close half hour before start. Cheques must be made payable to:

**ANGLIA CLASSIC TRIALS CLUB or ACTC.**

**Notice: Helmets** must be worn & it is recommended that you wear other appropriate protective clothing.

Excessively noisy machines will be barred

**Competitors parking on the hard car park outside the gates must not start their machines until the machines are pushed well inside the spinney.**

**Vehicles of any kind must not be driven on the grass field.**

The easy course will be suitable for Old, Big and Heavy bikes & riders!

**Observers:** Please assist the organisers by bringing with you someone who is prepared to observe. Training given.



# THE CLUB WEBSITE

[www.eastern-fourstroke-association.co.uk](http://www.eastern-fourstroke-association.co.uk)

and / or

[www.anglia-classic-trials-club.co.uk](http://www.anglia-classic-trials-club.co.uk)

Both of the above web addresses are one and the same and point to the same website.

If you are not already aware the club has set up it's own website and I have been busy filling it with material that has been available to me such as photo's, a few videos and Trials & Tribulation magazines going back to January 2002 amongst many other things.

I've still plenty to do to polish and shine up the rough edges and I'm sure (here comes the 'blood out of a stone' bit) there's plenty more out there that could go on such as old photo's, videos taken at club trials and other archive material you think would find a home there and be available to club members.

It's not just a place for archive stuff but I have also added material that's current and useful such as, at the moment there is a link on the front page which will take you straight to the ACU Licence Renewals. Get your unique number from June, Ted or Rob (contact forms also on the website) click on the link, register with the ACU (if you haven't already done so) and put in your number.

It all takes only a few minutes and hay presto you'll have your new licence in a couple of days. Fixtures and club trials results are something else that's included and updates will go on there as soon as I've received them.

None of this is exactly rocket science in this day and age and we certainly don't want to detract from the traditional values of the club, only enhance them using the tools available.

So if you haven't already done so have a look and let me know what you'd like to see included/changed/or even removed.

*Chris*

I had a brief conversation with Terry Howe just before the start of the Thumpers Trial and some of you may have picked up his flier. His web site - [www.TerryHowePhotography.com](http://www.TerryHowePhotography.com) - has several pictures taken at earlier Thumpers Trials 1991 - '96 and he's been very kind in providing me with a selection to put on our web site. I've printed these three here as Terry has not been able to identify the riders and he would be grateful for any help.

Do you know who they are?

Terry can be contacted by email:  
[terryhowephoto@hotmail.co.uk](mailto:terryhowephoto@hotmail.co.uk) phone: 01787 281282 or  
through his web site where you can also purchase  
high resolution copies of his photographs.



**Thumpers 1991 rider 60 or 80? (EFA id 16)**



**Thumpers 1991 rider 93 (EFA id 10)**



**Thumpers 1991 (EFA id 18)**



### **31st Thumpers Trial**

Riders:

16 Colin Rose, 199 Triumph

6 Brian Cook, 250 BSA

44 Tony Woods, 350 Matchless

Photo's courtesy of Brian Cook





**Declaration:** Motor Sport can be dangerous and may involve injury or death. You must read and agree to the following declaration and paragraphs below, which are designed to create a legally binding relationship in return for you being allowed to enter and compete.

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3. I confirm that any vehicle I use will comply with the regulations and will be safe and fit for use in the competition.
4. Before taking part in the event, I will ensure (unless prohibited) that I have inspected the venue, the track and the facilities and geographical features and that I am satisfied that it is safe for me to compete.
5. I will not take part if I have any doubt about my ability or the safety of the venue.
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**Riders Signature:** \_\_\_\_\_ **Date** \_\_\_\_\_

**\*Date of Birth (if under 18)** \_\_\_\_\_ **AMCA Membership No.** \_\_\_\_\_

**Riders Name:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Address:** \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_ **Post Code:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Telephone:** \_\_\_\_\_ **email:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Class Entered:** \_\_\_\_\_ **Route** \_\_\_\_\_ **Machine** \_\_\_\_\_ **CC:** \_\_\_\_\_

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- c) I also AGREE that if the applicant should sustain any injury from any cause whilst taking part in the event and as a result bring a claim for compensation against you or the organisers or officials or sponsors or entrants or owners of the venue. I WILL INDEMNIFY AND PAY BACK TO YOU any sum which you may be required to pay as a result of such a claim.

**Signature of Parent/Guardian:** \_\_\_\_\_ **Date:** \_\_\_\_\_

## NOTICES

### **Photo's Photo's Photo's**

Not only does your magazine need that little bit of prose from your pen but, as you can see, pictures bring that little bit of extra life to the T&T and our website. Therefore if your snapping away or videoing at a club trial (or even have some old photo's, which will be returned) and wouldn't mind seeing them in this esteemed mag or on our website it would be great if you could send them in.

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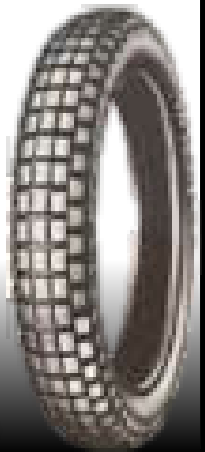


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The ACU National Sporting Code and Standing Regulations are published annually in the ACU Handbook.

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- I/we enclose the entry fee of £ . . . . .

**Acknowledgement of the risks of motorsport:** I/we understand that by taking part in this event I/we are exposed to a risk of death, becoming permanently disabled or suffering some other serious injury and I/we acknowledge that even in the event that negligence on the part of the ACU, the promoter, the organising club, the venue owner, or any individual carrying out duties on their behalf were to be a contributory cause of any serious injury I/we may suffer, the dominant cause of any serious injury will always be my/our voluntary decision to take part in a high risk activity.

I/we have read the above and acknowledge that my/our participation in motorsport is entirely at my/our own risk.

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Subject: Acknowledgement.

To: "MICK BROWN" <mbrown21@btinternet.com>

Date: Wednesday, 30 November, 2011, 10:15

Dear Mick,

Thank you for your call to me over the wicked scam business. It was very much my own stupid fault. I received an E-mail supposedly from B T, (on their logo) which asked for me to confirm the details on my account otherwise it may be curtailed. Like a damn fool I did it. Then the roof fell in!

Good to see you at the Thumpers and I thoroughly enjoyed the trial, having been surplus to observing requirements. I have never seen the pit so dry. And good use of sectors previously submerged. "Ride of the Day" for me was Clive Dopson doing a wonderful clean on hard route on Geoff Daw's section (No 5) - riding his 1949 500T.

All the best,

Sidge.

Hi,

Entries for the Dabbers new year trial on 2nd Jan at Little Lodge Farm are open and will close on Monday 26th (noon).

This trial is a little different to normal in that there will only be one easy route, and there's a bit of a treat this year as we have managed to secure the use of some forestry commission land adjacent to the farm, so we can set up extra sections with a good ride between the two groups.

After the trial ends, there will be a hog roast for all riders and observers (observers go to the front of the queue of course!).

The extra land usage fees and the hog roast require us to raise the trial entry fee to £15 - for this event only. Still the best fun you can have for the money!

To make sure that we have plenty of time, this trial will start half an hour earlier than usual at 10:00am.

You can enter the trial by emailing us: Your name, plus make of bike and class (rigid, pre-70, twinshock, sidecar, mono).

Remember that you can find more information about Dabbers events along with results at [www.dabbertrialsclub.co.uk](http://www.dabbertrialsclub.co.uk)

It seems a bit early, but Happy Christmas and see you in the new year.

Regards, Dabbers Trials Club

# KEEPING TRACK!

January 2012

Fixture list of Classic Trials in East Anglia & some further afield

December 6	EFA		Club Night at the Alma
December 11	ACTC	AMCA	Boxford Bash Trial
December 18	Braintree & DMCC	ACU	Turkey Trott Trial
December 27	Woodbridge & DMCC	ACU	Laurie Bird Mem. Trial Rendl'm Forest
December 27	Somerton Classic	AMCA	Charity Trial, Long Sutton, Somerset
December 30	Braintree & DMCC	ACU	Twinstead Trophy Trial, Twinstead.
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January 2	Dabbers	AMCA	Little Lodge Fm. Santon Downham
January 3	EFA	ACU	Little Bealings Trial
January 8	EFA		Club Night at the Alma
February 5	Dabbers	AMCA	TBA
February 5	Castle Colchester	ACU	PhilKing Anglian Trial, Alphamstone
February 12	EFA	ACU	Snaque Pit
March 11	ACTC	AMCA	Wrabness Trial (tbc)
March 25	EFA	ACU	Chattisham Trial
March 25	Dabbers	AMCA	TBA
April 15	EFA	ACU	Roger Birch Trophy Trial, Gt. Bromley
April 27 (Friday)	VMCC Essex	VMCC	120 m Byway Run, Museum of Power, Langford
April 28	VMCC Essex	VMCC	90 m Bluebell Run, Museum of Power, Langford

Above is an edited version of Mick Browns' 'Keeping Track' fixture list. For more information or to include an event in 'Keeping Track!' contact Mick Brown on, 01206 250462 or email:-[mbrown21@btinternet.com](mailto:mbrown21@btinternet.com)

These events have been supplied in good faith but neither the Editor nor the E.F.A. cannot be held responsible for errors, omissions or cancellations of any event.

**I would just like to say a big "THANK YOU" to all the articles contributed, especially the 'first timers', those not published this month will appear in later editions.**

**Please keep them coming.**

**Thanks to - Kevin Teager, Neil Canham, Pedro, Mick Brown, Gerry Canham, Terry Howe, Brian Cook & Sidge.**

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